Date Mailed October 25, 2000

BEFORE THE

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application for Approval of Affiliated Interest Agreements Between American Transmission Company, LLC and Alliant Energy Corporate Services, Inc.

137-AE-103

NOTICE OF PROCEEDING AND INVESTIGATION AND ASSESSMENT OF COSTS

Comments Due: Address Comments To:

Tuesday, November 7, 2000 – Diane C. Braun, Holding Company Specialist

Noon Electric Division

Public Service Commission

FAX Due: P.O. Box 7854

Monday, November 6, 2000 – Madison, WI 53707-7854 **Noon** FAX (608) 266-3957

THIS IS A PROCEEDING, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 196.52, to consider the application of American Transmission Company, LLC (ATC) for approval of an Operating Agreement and a Lease for Space in the Stoughton Systems Operation Center (SOC) with Alliant Energy Corporate Services, Inc. (AES).

ATC is a "transmission company" organized pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 196.485(1)(ge) and (3m). Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 196.485(3m)(a)1.a., the transmission company must apply to the Commission for all necessary approvals and begin operations no later than January 1, 2001.

AES is a service company formed by Alliant Energy Corporation to, among other things, operate the transmission facilities of Wisconsin Power and Light Company (WP&L), IES Industries Inc. (IES), and Interstate Power Company (IPC) as a single integrated system. This integration is provided by AES through the use of the SOC.

WP&L will transfer its transmission assets, including the SOC to ATC. The proposed Operating Agreement and Lease provide services to AES, as agent for IES and IPC. The agreement also provides to AES, as agent for WP&L, services necessary to operate WP&L's 34.5 kV facilities in Wisconsin.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses

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incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

The Commission requests comments on the above issues. Any party who desires to file comments should submit an original and 15 copies as indicated in the box on page 1. Members of the public need only file an original. These comments must be received by noon on Tuesday, November 7, 2000. Comments by fax are due one day earlier. Fax filing cover sheets must state "Official Filing" and include the docket number and the number of pages (limit of 20 pages). File by one mode only.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the case coordinator listed below.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to case coordinator Diane C. Braun at (608) 267-1200.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, ______

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr Secretary to the Commission

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